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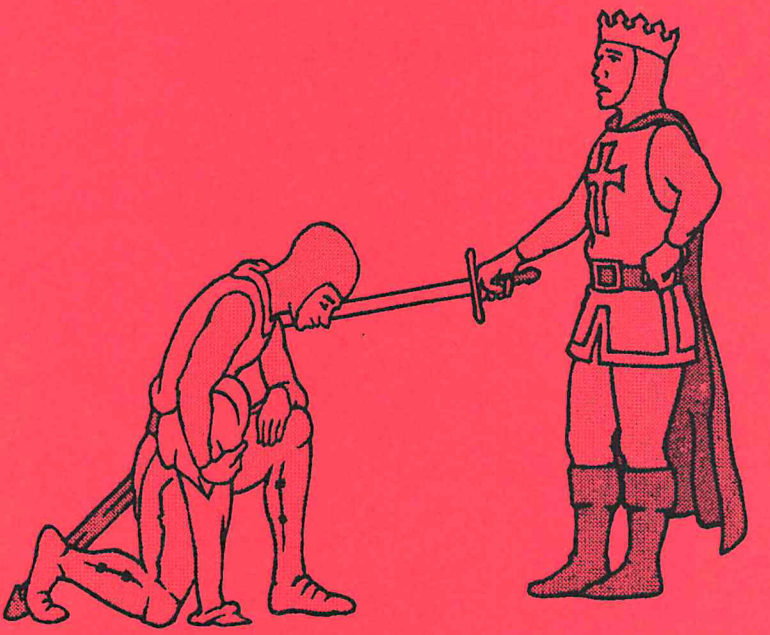

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Submission deadline is the 15th of the month for event announcements, articles, and artwork. Officers reports are due at officers meeting.

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## June – A.S. XXXII

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 Bofharrach potluck at Glenmere | 4 Belly Dance BF sewing guild | 5 | 6 Polling | 7 |
| 8 Fighter Practice | 9 Dance Practice 7PM | 10 Bofharrach | 11 Belly Dance | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 Fighter Practice | 16 Officer's Meeting 7PM | 17 Bofharrach A&S call Amice | 18 Belly Dance Bofharrach Scribes | 19 | 20 Chinese Phoenix | 21 C.Phoenix, Caerthen University |
| 22 C.Phoenix, Fighter Practice | 23 Dance Practice 7PM. | 24 Bofharrach | 25 Belly Dance | 26 | 27 Cattle Raid | 28 Cattle Raid |
| 29 Cattle Raid | 30 | | | | | |

UH Fighter - 1-5PM, Bofharrach 6:30PM, Belly Dance 7:30-8:30PM, St.Martin's - call Akira 498-0798. Information on weekly Baronial activities is on the inside back cover. Information on Bofharrach activities is located in the Bofharrach articles of the Tosspot.

## June

4 - BF Sewing Guild 7-9PM Our Lady Of Peace Church , Iona (970)834-2128 12
7-8 - Baronial Champions (Dragonsspine) Haroun & Dovita (719)444-0194
20-22 - Rising of the Chinese Phoenix (Ard Tir) Yin Chiang (307)745-7421 10
21 - University of Caerthe Herb Walk (Caerthe) Maredudd (303)316-4328 9
14-22 - Lilies War XI (Calontir)
27-29 - Cattle Raid (Bofharrach) Moyra & Lorcan (970)352-9017 13

## July

12 - Windkeep Defender (Windkeep) Bjarki (307)632-1133
12 - Func. & Visual Arts College & Comp. (Caerthe) Padraic (303)933-0031
4-6 - War of the Staked Plains III (Scorpion's Hollow) Rosalinda (505)763-3528
19-20 - Outlands Crown Tournament (Unser Hafen) Theresa (970)482-6608

## August

1-3 - Unser Hafen Defender (Unser Hafen) Elsbeth (970)484-0628 14
22-24 - Dragon's Quest(Hinterland)
29-9/1 - Fields Of Gold (Cearthe) Caelainn (303)287-6963

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| Llamrei<br>Chieftain | | | Titus<br>Praefectus |
| Petrov<br>Defender | Mu'allima Rashiqah<br>Protector | Lord Takashige<br>Warden | Lady Jobita<br>Champion of the Horse |
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| Lady Wenhauer<br>Lady Aildhcinna | Lord Caradoc<br>Lord Lorcan<br>Lady Moyra | | Morien<br>Lord Lochlainn |
| Lord Axel<br>Baronial Page | Lord Theopompus<br>Lictor | | Lord Lochlainn<br>Baronial Bard |
| | Lady Phaedra<br>Lady in Waiting | | Melora<br>Lady in Waiting |

# From The Chieftain & Praefectus:

First off, We'd like to apologize to everyone for not reporting for a while. Tosspot deadlines and out schedules have not meshed well lately! That being said, we have a lot of news for everyone. First, we extend our congratulations to their Royal Majesties, Lycurgus and Mikhailina, who were crowned in Hawk's Hollow in May. We wish them a joyous reign. Her Excellency and I would like to thank His Excellency, Torin, and Her Grace, Elisheva, on a very fine reign. They ruled us well and enriched the Outlands. Thank you!

In regard to the Unser Hafen populace, we have wonderful news for everyone about a variety of Unser Hafeners. Mistress Theresea die Tanzerin was recognized as a Companion of the Noble Order of the Pelican at Eisteddfod. Huzzah!! Lord Gunther der Wanderer received membership in the Stag's Blood, Lord Robert Stewart was recognized with the Silver Tines. We are also pleased to announce several fine gentles received Awards of Arms at Eisteddfod. Unser Hafen's newest Armigers are: Lady Diana Wutenwulf, Lord Morien, Lady Graine, and Lord Sebastian. The Barony recognized several excellent gentles as well, adding Lord Axel to the ranks of the Golden Ring, Lady Killinen and Lord Lochlainn to the Keepers of the Portcullis, and Lord Sean ui Neil to the Golden Columbine. We are also pleased to announce that the Unser Hafen Penecerdd (Baronial Bard, for those non-welsh) is none other than Lord Lochlainn. We had a wonderful turnout of bards and spectators at Eisteddfod, and we thank everyone who helped make that event memorable. Huzzah to all those fine gentles! We have also begun the Bierdd Teilu at this event, a group similar to the Warriors and the Artisans of Unser Hafen. These are bards who have performed three different pieces in a formal setting in Unser Hafen. All people interested in joining

this August group of performers should speak to Her Excellency Llamrei, or Lord Lochainn for details. Unser Hafen hosted the first ever StagsCon, a meeting for officers, autocrated by Baroness Leonora. The event was a smashing success. Every officer who attended was practically vibrating with enthusiasm. And the Ceidhli hosted by THL Akira after fighter practice was great fun. We look forward to many more.

In other news, Her Excellency and I also announced at Eisteddfod that we be stepping down at Crown Tourney in Unser Hafen on July 19, 1997. We have greatly enjoyed our tenure as Praefectus and Chieftain, but we are ready to pursue other things in the Society and in mundane life, and it is time for us to step down. It is a noble honor to serve our Barony, and we will highly recommend this job to all interested and worthy gentles. Any member of the Unser Hafen populace interested in succeeding us must inform TRM Lycurgus and Mikhailina in writing **by mail no later than June 1,1997.** A copy of your letter to their Majesties must also be sent to Llamrei and I. You must be a paid member of the SCA, and have proof of membership available to be our successors or to participate in the Baronial Polling run by the Kingdom Seneschal, Mistress Francesca, on **Friday, June 6,1997**, at the dance practice site starting at 6PM. All information should have been received by all paid members of the barony in the special edition of the Tosspot published in May. We want to make sure everyone has a chance to participate in the polling, and we look forward to seeing everyone there! Bring a good dish to share and bring happy stories with you!

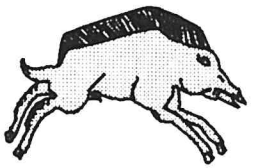
The busy event season is beginning. Remember that wherever you go, you represent Unser Hafen and the Outlands, and show everyone the courtesy and hospitality for which we are famous. Remember that the Outlandish weather can be harsh and unpredictable, and prepare accordingly when you are out, including drinking lots of water whether you are fighting or not. We hope to see everyone at Bofharrach's Cattle Raid!

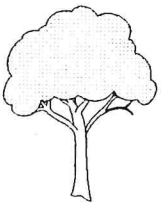
Finally, we bid farewell to Sir Otto and Mistress Branwynn, dear friends and honorary Unser Hafeners. We wish them good fortune in Atlantia, but they will be missed. Lord Conchobhar and TH Lady Lughbec will be back home from their sojourn in Atlantia next month, and we eagerly await their return.

In service to the Kingdom,

TITUS

Llamrei





# OFFICERS' REPORTS
## Greetings from the Office of the Herald

| Unser Hafen Heraldry Submissions | | | | | |
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| | *Name* | *Device* | *Submitted* | *Kingdom* | *Laurel* |
| Aedan MacAliastair | X | | 1/97 | X | |
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| Ban Mac an-t Saoir | X | | 5/97 | X | |
| Ban Mac an-t Saoir | | X | 5/97 | X | |
| Dubheasa of Aughinish | | X | 1/97 | X | |
| Dubheasa of Aughinish | X | | 1/97 | X | |
| Morien Glyndwyr | X | | ? | P 3/97 | X |
| Morien Glyndwyr | | badge | ? | R 3/97 | |
| Morien Glyndwyr | | X | ? | ? | |
| Moyra MacColla | | X | 1/97 | X | |
| Phaedra of Crete | | X | 5/97 | X | |
| Phaedra of Crete | X | | 5/97 | X | |
| Rosslin Katrein von Hohenzollern | | X | ? | ? | |
| Rosslin Katrein von Hohenzollern | X | | ? | P 3/97 | X |
| Saint Martins Abbey | X | | ? | P 3/97 | X |
| Saint Martins Abbey | | X | ? | R 3/97 | |
| Sebestian Jameson of Stokesay | | badge | 10/96 | R 3/97 | |
| Sebestian Jameson of Stokesay | | Resub | 5/97 | X | |
| Sebestian Jameson of Stokesay | X | | 10/96 | P 3/97 | X |
| Sekimura Minamoto Akiranaga | | Resub | 10/96 | pending | |
| Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige | | Resub | 1/97 | X | |

The X's over in the kingdom and laurel columns simply show the last known location of the submission. "P"=passed and "R"=returned with the date of the action.

Order of the Corona Graminea of Unser Hafen name & device have passed!

If anyone has arms that have been passed but never published on the cover of The Tosspot please let me or our Chronicler, Rosalind of WellMark, know. Thank you.

In service,
*SONE MINAMOTO no GENTAROU TAKASHIGE*
**(Takashi)**

# From the Minister of Arts & Sciences

**Notes from StagsCon on the duties of a Baronial Minister of A&S ( MOAS):** The purpose of the Office of the Arts & Sciences Minister is to foster and document the development of historical accuracy in our SCA activities.

Arts and sciences are fostered by organizing demonstrations, exhibitions, classes, competitions, workshops, and special interest groups such as guilds. In particular, this officer is the sponsor of Baronial A&S Colleges and Competitions. This officer also encourages new A&S pursuits by acting as a registry of the A&S skills and resources of the group and using this information to connect up the needs of the people with the available A&S resources. If someone needs help in an art not available in the group, the A&S Minister is able to tap into the Kingdom wide A&S resources through the Outlands Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences.

The second major duty of the group A&S Minister is to document the development of a group's A&S activities in a monthly report to the Outlands Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences. This report communicates the activities and skills of the group, allowing the Kingdom Officer to fulfill their responsibility as a Kingdom wide registry of available A&S skills, and provides the Kingdom MOAS with the information needed to plan future A&S Competitions and Collegiums. These reports also serve as legal verification and documentation that the Kingdom does fulfil its nonprofit educational duties. The local A&S officer will not be warranted by their Kingdom superior until they complete a minimum probationary period of three consecutive monthly reports submitted on time.

The Local MOAS Officer needs to maintain A&S files for their local group and their successor group A&S officers, which include a copy of the ***Outlands A&S Handbook***, copies of all incoming and outgoing correspondence, handouts from collegiums and workshops, handouts on competition judging, etc.

MASTER THORFINN GREYBEARD

# From the Knight Marshal

To the fair Barony of Unser Hafen, Greetings.

There is quite a bit to share from Stag's Con, but I'll try to be brief. The main points are: new Kingdom heavy weapons rules, new Kingdom fencing rules, new experimental weapons.

**Heavy-** The main difference seems to be to requirements for minors authorization. Please note that there may be no more then a 1" gap ANYWHERE in a helm including underneath (i.e. those whose gorgets do not protect the underside of the jaw). Also, unlike what you may have seen on an opinion page in the OH - fighting under the influence of legal or illegal drugs is AGAINST KINGDOM LAW. If you would like a copy of the rules please come find me and you can photocopy them.

**Light-** Schlager fencing is now legal here, however NO ONE IN THIS KINGDOM IS AUTHORIZED IN THIS FORM YET.

**Experimental weapons -** There are more UHMWPE (plastic) swords of the Haroun make around. Please give your opinions of them to me or to Haroun directly. If you wish to purchase such a sword they may be made of any UHMWPE rod stock 1.25 inches in diameter. A brand name to look for might be Tyvar 150. Or purchase them from Haroun directly. Also, the fiberglass arrows (thistle missles) are going through testing in this Kingdom as well. Please address correspondence on this issue to myself, Haroun or Akira.

Note: Anyone can REFUSE TO FIGHT ANY EXPERIMENTAL WEAPON.

Also, the rubber hemishperical arrow blunts for fiberglass (& wooden) shafts have been passed at the Society level. HOWEVER, THE FIBERGLASS SHAFTS ARE STILL EXPERIMENTAL in this Kingdom. And wood is illegal here!

I am looking for more Knight Marshall's deputies!!! This may be with the prospect of taking over, or not, as you prefer. But if you are interested, please let me know. You do not have to be a "hot stick". However you must be: reliable at attending practice, reliable with equipment, and not afraid to tell that knight "No, you must fix your armor NOW or leave the field". I also prefer someone who is personable and able to interact well with newbies. If you think you meet any of these criteria, or are willing to work on meeting them, please contact me immediately!

On another note, I want to remind everyone that we are in high summer soon, so please drink alot, rest often, and keep your helmet in the shade. Another aspect of summer is bad weather, please call me at (970)416-0474 if you have doubts about practice occuring.

In Service, I am,

**Lord Caradoc Arglwydd ap Rhys**

# From the Deputy Chronicler

Greetings to all! I am pleased to see summer come bringing on the camping events and I hope to see everyone. I'd like to thank Lady Amice for helping put this edition of the Tosspot together.

In service to the dream,

Lady Phaedra of Crete

## From the Reeve

The balance of the funds in the accounts of the Barony sttod at $4449.01 at the beginning of the officers' meeting held on May 19. Of this, 506.47 is being held for the Armouring Guild.

The Canton of Bofharrach is looking for a Reeve (treasurer). If you are interested in this position and feel that you are qualified, please contact me, or the Seneschal of either Bofharrach or Unser Hafen.

In service to the Dream, I am,
*Lord Mark de Saint Sauveur-le-Vicomte*

## From the Musicians' Guild

Unto all who delight in joyous sounds enveloping our Barony -

The musicians' guild of Unser Hafen consists of those who are interested in learning and performing the music of the Middle Ages. We play, talk, sing and enjoy each others' company. The only prerequisite is enthusiasm, no experience is necessary to join us. Please call Lord Mark at 225-8081 to receive more specifics on gathering date & time.

In service,
*Lord Mark*

## From the Equestrian Guild

June is now upon us in all the glory of green pastures and plump horses. This spring has been very successful for the Equestrian Guild with horse expo and upcoming Cattle Raid. There were also horses at Grand Outlandish. This month the Equestrian Guild will not be having official mounted practices at CSU. We may be gathering unofficially however, so call me if you are interested. Official practices will begin in July as scheduled. Also, everyone mark your calendars for two days of "horsing around" on September 27th and 28th. Rental horses may be available but we need you to express interest well in advance. The equestrian guild is also trying to organize several interkingdom competitions as well as a group trail ride. More information will follow as it becomes available. As usual, have a great month.

**Lady Rossilin** (970)484-2213

## Discussion Group

The discussion group will be on hold for the summer unless otherwise noted. Baroness Leonora wishes to extend a heartfelt thanks to all good gentles who helped with StagsCon's success.

Baroness Leonora Kathryn de Provence
Address: 7743 West First Street
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# Black Smithing Guild —Crown tournament

You do not need to live in Unser Hafen to come; all are welcome. You do not need to know how to blacksmith--enthusiasm is sufficient. There will be no gathering in June, the next gathering will be at Crown Tournament in July.

Instruction is available. Please bring your own safety goggles, gloves, ear protection and old clothes (mundane work clothes recommended). Please do not wear clothes made from synthetics. Shop fees are 50 cents per hour for forge use (which is cost). Steel is available for sale, but we encourage people to bring their own. We will happily tell you all our favorite places to buy scrap and new metal.

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| Master Tamlene ap Guidgen | 663-1513 |
| Master Thorfinn Greybeard | 667-1284 |
| Master Garwed Cadburiensis | 542-0890 |

# Classes for the Curious

Our Barony is blessed with many skills. We need to spread these skills further, both within the Barony and beyond. I want to foster the teaching of classes to achieve this end. In no way do I mean to detract from those classes already ongoing.

**Wanted: Gentles interested in learning**

Pick your subject, any subject. Tell me of a class of particular interest to you, and I will help you find someone willing to teach it. See the list below-but don't be limited by it. If you wish classes for which there are no skilled teachers to be had (unlikely, I think), then two students will be paired to both become expert.

**Wanted: Gentles interested in teaching**

I need names to put to these skills. You need not have years of experience; just a bit and a willingness to teach. The small ways which you have found to speed and increase pleasure in your craft must by passed on! Please tell me of your skills!

**A short list of subjects wanting students and teachers:**

Bread making, Archery (Shooting, Making Arrows and Bows), Sharpening Tools and Knives, Calligraphy, Scroll Layout, Illumination (Celtic Knotwork, Gothic Borders, Capitals), Brewing (Ale), Vintning (Wine), Selecting and Using Tools, Woodworking (Carving, Furniture, Inlay), Metalworking (Hot, Sheet, Twisted Wire, Jewelry), Embroidery, Sewing, Basic T Tunics, Candles, Soap, Leather Work, Bookbinding, Card Weaving, Inkle Loom, Spinning, Natural Dyes, Lace - the list goes on.

Please contact me, students and teachers, gentles within and without the Barony - Master Tamlene ap Guidgen (Steve Smith 663-1513).

# University of Caerthe – June 21

**A Summer Herb Walk And Herb Fair Demo** at the Denver Botanic Gardens.

Come, take a walk back in time, and learn about the Medieval uses of plants as food and medicine. The University of Caerthe presents an Herb Walk, in conjunction with the Denver Botanic Gardens' Annual Herb Fair. Join us for an in-persona talk on period uses of herbs at the formal "bowknot" herb garden at the Denver Botanic Gardens. The first Herb Walk will be at 10:00am. Additionally, the Barony will staff a booth to offer interested people some information about the SCA and period herbalism. Everyone dressed in SCA-era clothing will be admitted free. The Denver Botanic Gardens is a large urban botanical park featuring a variety of specialized gardens. One may walk the gardens for several hours. Good walking shoes are recommended. Dress coolly. although there are many places to sit in the shade, the Gardens are pretty warm at mid-day. The Herb Fair features local herbal and gardening product retailers. This may be a good opportunity to find unusual herbs, or a source for them.

**Directions**: On north or south-bound I-25, Exit East at Colfax Ave. Drive east 2 3/4 miles to York St. Turn South (right) on York and drive south 5 blocks to the Gardens 1005 York St. There is a parking lot on the left with the gardens on the right. You may also park on York St.

**For Further information, contact;**
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(Melanie Unruh-Bays)
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# Help Wanted

**DEPUTIES NEEDED:** The office of Knight Marshal is seeking deputies to assist in the duties of the office with or without the goal of replacing Lord Caradoc. Please contact him for more information.

**DONATIONS NEEDED**: The Bofharrach Hospitaller's office is in need of equipment donations. Garb, armor, feast gear, or other items which might be used to supplement newcomers for awhile will be much appreciated. Please contact Melora (970) 353-7402.

**ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE**: Local artisans may be commissioned for custom work. Please call the A&S officer for contact.

**ARTISANS:** As space is available, you may request ad printing in this publication for your wares and services. Your copy will be subject to the Seneschal's review and approval before printing.

# The Rising of the Chinese Phoenix — June 20—22

The Shire of Ard Thir wishes to send out a grand invitation to all. Come celebrate the thawing of the Northern Outlands and an exchange of cultures.

A glorious day of events is planned. Heavy weapons combat, and, if enough requests come in, light weapons combat will occur. For those who are not so talented in the martial arts, there will be the Arts and Sciences exhibition and a brewers' contest. Not only will there be playtime for the adults, we have planned fun days of *castle sieging, armor making, boffer sword bouts, and a Smalls arts and crafts showing*, for any and all children. There will be prizes for each age group entered. We would like to set up an on-site day-care (4 yrs. and under) staffed by volunteers for some portion of the day. The more volunteers we have sign up, the more we all get to roam and meet people. After all, this is an exchange of cultures. Pets must be on a leash at all times. **Merchants are also welcome.**

On the menu, presented by the *Household of the Flying Gauntlet*, there will be many cultural dishes. These will include Phoenix Chicken, Drunken Fowl, and dishes from Romania, Milan, and other widespread countries. Anyone who plans to attend who has food allergies should let the Household of the Flying Gauntlet know, so they can make modifications

**Fees for the weekend**, including feast: adults are $10, children 6-14 are $5, wee ones (under 6) are free. **Fees for day trippers**: adults are $3, for site and $5 for feast, children 6-14 are $1.50 for site and $2.50 for feast, children under 6 are free. Breakfast packets are available for $5. These include a snack on Friday evening, breakfast and lunch snacks on Saturday, and a breakfast snack on Sunday.

The feast is unlimited seating so late comers are very much welcome. There will be plenty of off-board seating available. We would appreciate an *RSVP by June 10th*, but reservations **MUST** be in no later than **the 16th of June** so we can plan the groceries to buy. Send confirmations to the Autocrat and payments to the Reeve. Please make checks payable to SCA-Ard Thir.

The site opens at 2PM on Friday (June 20) and closes at 2PM on Sunday (June 22). This is a damp site - bring your wine and beer, but no hard liquor is allowed.

**Directions:** Take I-25 to Cheyenne, WY. Take I-80 to exit 313 (Third St.) in Laramie, WY. Follow Third through town and it becomes Highway 287. to Medicine Bow, 57 miles north. Look for signs. The site is the Medicine Bow Village Square.

**Autocrat:** Yin Chiang (Karen Smith), 916 S. 11th #A, Laramie, WY 82070, email: kbjornsmit@aol.com. Telephone queries to Lord Weltschin, (307) 742-6512.

**Reeve:** Sarah Vaughn, 407 S. 6th, Laramie, WY 82070.

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Jack Ell  Moyra MacColla  Iona O'hAnrachtaigh  Aildhcinna mac Ailpean

# The Tosspot

## From the Bofharrach Chronicler

Greetings from the cow pastures,

I am going to start with an apology for a very short and sweet report, I am in the midst of packing for Grand Outlandish and I'm pressed for time, so let me get started. There are many upcoming changes, the biggest of which is that we are going to see our beloved Baron and Baroness step down from thier positions. We are sorry to see them do so, but I'm sure that everyone can understand. We will soon know who the candidates for their replacements will be and have the opportunity to voice our support for the new coronet. Be sure to contact Melora or Rosalind for the special addition of the tosspot for info on letters of intent and the Baronial Polling. Also Bofharrach is looking to fill the positions of Reeve and Hospitaller, Please contact the Seneschal for more information.

Congratulations to all those who took part in Eistedfodd, I promise to put your names in next month! Be sure to ask our officers about all the great things that were learned at StagsCon!

Well I really must go now, My chamber maids have gone on strike so I have to do the packing myself!

May your cattle grow fat and slick!

In service,

Lady Moyra

## Bofharrach Meeting Schedule

**June 1**- Work day at the cattle Raid Site, 10 AM Moyra 352-9017
**June 3**- Populace meeting and BYOP (bring your own picnic) Glenmere Park 7PM. Fund-raising auction, also.
**June 4**- Sewing Guild meeting at Our Lady Of Peace Church 7-9PM Bring pattern paper or fabric to create Japanese garb patterns, call Iona at (970)834-2128
**June 10**- Fighter practice at Glenmere Park 7:00pm Lorcan 352-9017 Guest Knight to be announced
**June 17**- A&S night Calligraphy and Illumination taught by Mistress Drahomira call Amice for meeting site and times (970) 352-3265
**June 18** - Scribes' night at Melora's (2401 24th St.., 970-330-8185)
**June 22**- Final work day for Cattle raid 9:00am Moyra 352-9017
**June 24**- Dance practice at Glenmere park 7:00pm Aildhcinna 356-6790
**June 27-29**- Cattle raid Moyra 352-9017

Glenmere Park is located on 14th Ave between Lakeside Dr. and Glenmere Blvd. Please be sure to call Amice for the locations of the A&S classes.

## Bofharrach's A & S Report

At our last meeting in May, we made period bow strings, taught by Master Thorfinn. There were 8 people there and we created about 6 bowstrings. We are becoming fully armed for archery season, now if our scores match our enthusiasm..... We advise you to watch for Allergicus. We have heard rumors of a Cattle Raid.

In service,

Amice

# Cattle Raid – June 27–29

Join us once again for a frolic in the fields with the flora and fauna of Bofharrach! We will again be playing in the privately owned pasture east of Kersey. There will be heavy weapons fighting, fencing, archery, and this year we will be adding horses to the mix! An equestrian tourney will be held Saturday morning (before it gets too hot) and a hunt will be held on Sunday. Lady Amice will once again delight us with her culinary skills at the feast on Sat. Night. The Urchins guild will also be keeping the smalls busy with various fun things to do.

The site is located 2 miles east of Kersey, CO. From the west, take your best route to I-25 and the Greeley-Loveland exit, take US Highway 34 EAST pas Greeley. Stay on Highway 34 until you come to the small town of Kersey (approximately 40 miles from I-25). Just past the high school, look for Weld County road 56 and turn left or north. Follow this road to the end and turn left. Follow the signs.

Site fee is $4 for adults, $2 for children under 12. This is a dry site, NO Exceptions. There is no water on the site so you will need to bring your own. Due to local ranchers ordinances, there are no dogs allowed on the site. Assistance dogs must be cleared through the autocrat.) There are no open flames allowed, this includes any kind of tiki torches. A well supervised bardic fire will be lit Saturday night.

Equestrian tourney fee is $8 per rider, and you must be authorized and a paid member of the SCA to ride. If you plan to bring horses, reservations must be made in advance with the autocrat. If you wish to ride but do not have a horse, contact the autocrat to see if there will be any loaners available.

Site will open at noon on Friday and close at 5PM on Sunday. Court will be held at the whim of Their Excellencies. Feast fee is $5 for adults, $3 for children under 12. Reservations must be made by June 15. Feast fee after this date is $7 for adults and $5 for children under 12, if available. Unpaid reservations will only be held until 3PM on Saturday. Paid reservations are confirmed reservations.

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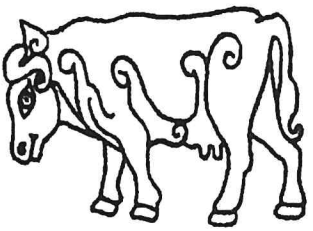

# Unser Hafen Defender — August 1—3

The Barony of Unser Hafen wishes to invite one and all to this year's Defender, Protector, and Warden tournaments to be held on Saturday, August 2nd. Our current champions hope that fighters, fencers, and archers from near and far will join in the search for their successors. All competitors are welcome and encouraged to join in these tournaments. The 3 Baronial champions will be chosen from the populace of Unser Hafen who compete, however, there will be prize opportunities for everyone.

Saturday's feast will be a potluck coordinated by Mistress Rosalind of WellMark. The Barony will provide chicken, bread, and dessert for $3, but if you choose to feast with us please bring a dish to share with at least 6 others. That is, *every* adult feaster needs to contribute a dish for 6 hungry people. Feast reservations can be made through the autocrat and are limited to the first 100 requests, so please contact her early. If you have dietary questions, call Rosalind.

For entertainment on Saturday night, a middle eastern dance circle and competition will be held. Awards will be given for best garb, technical abilities, and most enthusiasm. Please, drummers and dancers come and join us for what promises to be a spirited evening. After dancing, House Genji will be hosting their 3rd semi-annual sumo competition. Those large and small are encouraged to come and test their prowess in the ring.

Site opens Friday at 2PM and closes at 3PM on Sunday. Site fee is $5 per person for the weekend. Children 7-14 are half price for both site and feast. Children under 7 are free. All children must have their parent or legal guardian complete minor waiver forms for this event - no exceptions. Make checks payable to SCA-Unser Hafen. All reservations must be postmarked by July 25 to allow for camp space count for the Forest Service. This is a wet site.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take I-25 to Fort Collins, and exit east on Highway 14 (Mulberry). Proceed about 45 miles to Briggsdale and look for the SCA signs to the Crow Valley Campground. The nearest gas station and grocery store are about 25 miles from the site. Please be aware that these facilities are not open on Sunday and com prepared.

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# From Thl Lughbec and Lord Conchobhar?

Final Report to Bofharrach and Unser Hafen from their far eastern cattle surveyors (currently in the service of the Earl William of Clinton), Lord Conchobhar O'Loingseachain and The Honorable Lady Lughbec ni Eoin, along with their heartfelt...

## GREETINGS!

For all of our friends and neighbors of the Meeting Place of the Cows (Bofharrach) we announce that upon release in July from The Earl's contract surveying cattle lands in the east, Conchobhar and Lughbec will be returning to our Clan. HUZZAH!

Our reports tell us that our herds are well, the populace happy, and that life there is still progressing profitably. While we have enjoyed the delicasies provided by the Atlantian Sea and admired the fine horse flesh in these parts, it is much too boggy to raise a decent herd of Bofharrach cattle. Therefore we return, with many tales (currently being perfected in his own inemitable way by Conchobhar!), and some booty to share with the populace.

Conchobhar has learned more about politics than any good Gael is comfortable with. Removing heads seems much more clean and efficient. But he is learning the ways of the force, and hopefully can remain protected in his battles.

I have completed my research (to the point where it is currently...) and am ready to share what I have gleaned about "Garments of the Gaeil". I have also started work on learning the fine art of hammerd dulcimer playing. Thus far I have mastered none, but it is great fun.

We will both be very happy to be home again, and miss our clansmen greatly. Until our pathways meet and we laugh together again,

Go raibh mile maith agat! (May you have a thousand good things!)

Lord Conchobhar and Th Lady Lughbec

# The Glorious Valley
## by Lord Caradoc ap Rhys

Not quite two score upon that hill
valiant Outland's voices shrill
ready to pay the butcher's bill.

Stag paws earth and starts to stride
cross the ravine gaping wide
to fall upon the foeman's side.

Rising Sun flies up the grade
to slow their host, form blockade.
Green lines through the valley wade.

Flashing blades dispatch the foe
standing in a ragged row
fall like weeds before a hoe.

Enemy lines falling slack.
Stag's mighty hooves flashing black
trample on their fleeing backs.

Green tabards force the foe to rout.
Waiting allies give a shout,
run like water from a spout.

Our ally army it was bade,
wait until Outlands is slayed,
then your charge is to be made.

Thus they obeyed and waited,
never joined that fray til baited.
Glory for them was not fated.

Stag-crush'd foe breaks, sick of war.
Yet for each Outlandish score,
the other army numbered four.

This poem is an englyn (ENG-lin), a form of Welsh sketch-in-verse. Englynion were generally composed on the spot and relied on vivid, broad, evocative symbolism. This particular meter is called englyn milwr (ENG-lin MEE-loor) - "the soldier's englyn". It is one of the oldest and most vigorous of the Twenty-Four Formal Meters of Welsh poetry. The meter is associated with men-at-arms both for its title, and that the arrangement of three end rhymed lines of seven syllables each suggests a marching cadence. I thought it an especially appropriate meter to use in a poem about one of the most epic battles the Known World has ever seen - The ravine battle at the first Great Western War.

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# Unser Hafen Practices

(See Bofharrach section of this newsletter for Bofharrach information.)

**Fighter Practice**

Summer practice is on Sunday 1-5PM., in City Park. See map.

**Dance Practice**

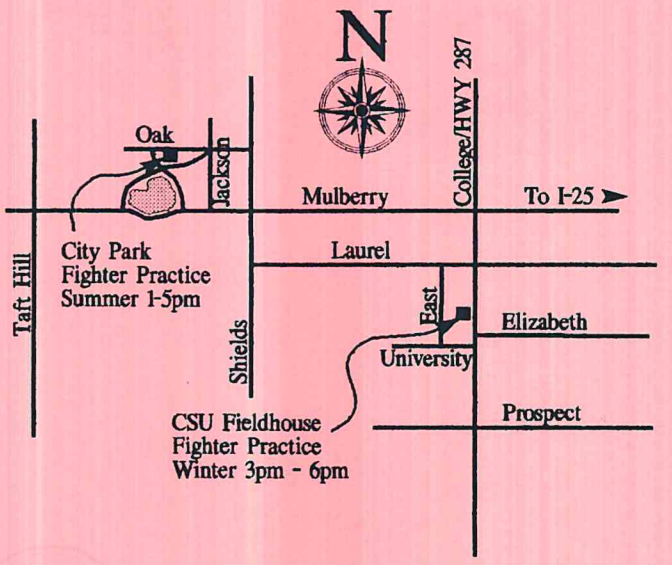
2nd and 4th Mondays, 7-9 PM at the Mountain Range Shadows Club House. See map.

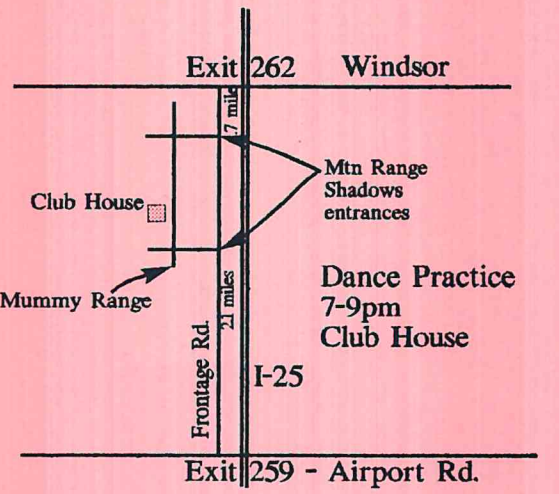
**Archery Practice**

Please call Lady Angelina, 225-2264, to discuss time, day, location and current weather conditions.

**Belly Dance**

Wednesday evening, 7:30-8:30, Empire Grange Hall, on Mulberry west of Taft Hill. On the North side.



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